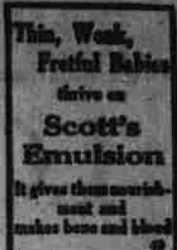




AWARDED FIRST PRIZE BY KENTUCKY PRESS ASSOCIATION (AT ANNUAL MEETING 1912) AS THE BEST WEEKLY NEWSPAPER IN KENTUCKY

BIG SANDY NEWS.

Aut inveniam viam, aut faciam.



Volume XXVIII, Number 15.

LOUISA, LAWRENCE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, DECEMBER 13, 1912.

M. F. CONLEY, Publisher.

TWO OLD CITIZENS

Called to Their Eternal Reward.

George C. McClure and David G. Kise, of This County. Pass to the Great Beyond.

George C. McClure.

G. C. McClure died at his home at Gallup, Lawrence county, Kentucky, Thursday, Dec. 5th, and was buried in the old family graveyard just back of his home on Saturday last. He was married to Jane Borders when quite a young man and so this union there were born ten children, viz. J. P. McClure, L. T. McClure, Mrs. O. D. Garred, T. S. McClure, Mrs. Dr. W. T. Atkinson, Mrs. E. T. Flinn, Mrs. Gordon C. Burgess, J. H. McClure and Mrs. Florence Enslow. All of the children living, seven of them attended the funeral.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Cyrus W. Riffle of the M. E. Church, of which church the deceased had been a member since 1838, having united with it when he was only 15 years old.

He is survived by his wife "Aunt Jane," as she is familiarly called, who is now 82 years of age.

G. C. McClure was the fourth child of a family of 17 children born to William and Lucretia McClure.

Of the 17 children born to the parents of Mr. George McClure every one lived to over 27 years of age, and 5 are yet living: Mrs. Sarah Bloss, of Huntington, Mrs. Nancy Billups, of this city, Stephen McClure, of Herbert, W. Va., Harry McClure, of Gallup, and T. B. McClure, of Wayne, W. Va. All these except Mrs. Bloss attended the funeral of their brother, she being kept at home by age and bodily infirmity. Although some of the children live remote from Gallup all were present at his death.

G. C. McClure was at one time sheriff of this county and was the nominee of his party in the counties of Boyd and Lawrence for Representative in 1870 and made the race against George Carter by whom he was defeated by a small majority. He was a member of the mercantile firm of G. C. McClure & Son, and leaves considerable property.

Mr. McClure was sick for so short a time that it might almost be said that his death was sudden. It was seen that for two or three days he was not in his usual health, but not until the day before his last one on earth did he take to his bed. His parents came from Giles county, Va., but he was born not over half a mile from the house where he died.

Because of its size and convenience the Odd Fellows hall, just across the railroad from the home which had been his home for many years, was selected as the place for holding the funeral services. At their conclusion the body was carried to the place chosen for its entombment. The attending crowd was very large.

For nearly three quarters of a century "Uncle George" McClure had been a prominent figure in the business, social and political history of Lawrence county. He was a man of very strong convictions. If there were two sides to any question he was sure to take one, and once taken it was seldom abandoned. He was scrupulously honest and exact in all his dealings and bequeaths to his children the enviable legacy of a good name. He gave of his means for the support of his church, and the hospitality of his home was generous and abundant. He was active in the affairs of the neighborhood, a notable figure in its enterprises. Peace to his ashes.

The following persons from Louisa attended the funeral of Mr. McClure:

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McClure, Mrs. A. M. Hughes, Mrs. M. F. Conley, Mrs. F. T. D. Wallace, Sr., T. B. Billups, Col. J. H. Northup, G. R. Burgess, M. C. McClure, John L. Vaughan, Arch C. McClure, of Columbus, and Miss Gypsey Thompson.

Mrs. L. T. McClure, of Delaware, O., accompanied her husband to Gallup.

David G. Kise.

David G. Kise, a well known and highly respected citizen of Lawrence county, died at his home near Kise station at half past one o'clock on Wednesday morning, after a long illness caused by tuberculosis of the lungs. He was buried in the family graveyard Thursday. He was about 67 years old and is survived by his wife and five children, four sons and a daughter, who is the wife of Oliver Sweetnam. One son Frank, died about 14 years ago. One brother, T. B. Kise, and a sister, Mrs. John Stafford, of Illinois, are living. Mrs. Stafford had been notified of the serious illness of her brother and it was thought she might arrive at her old home in time for the funeral.

Mr. Kise's mother was a sister of the late David and Ulysses Garred, and through this connection he became related to many persons living in Louisa and vicinity. These and numerous friends will regret his loss. He married Miss Annie Ramsey.

Mr. Kise had been a consistent member of the Methodist Church for quite a long time. He was a good citizen in every respect and his death will be felt by the community as a distinct loss. He was on the right side of every movement involving a moral principle. His home is known for its hospitality. He set a good example in industry, frugality and morality. His occupation was that of a farmer and country merchant, and he was in comfortable circumstances.

FIRE!

The alarm of fire about 11:33 Monday night was caused by a slight blaze which originated in a defective flue in the residence of William Remmele, on Lock Ave.

In getting at the fire it was necessary to cut through a partition on the lower floor and through a wall of the bath room in the second story. A line of hose had been laid from the fire plug into the house, and the burning flue was flooded. The damage caused was considerable.

A RESURVEY PROBABLE.

Big Sandy River May Get Another Survey.

As a result of a conference between Representative Langley and General Bixby, Chief of Engineers, it is possible that a resurvey of the Big Sandy project will be ordered within the near future. Representative Langley urged General Bixby to order another survey, and asked that a hearing on the case be arranged to take place at Catlettsburg during the Christmas recess, when it would be possible for him and Representatives Fields and Hughes, of West Virginia, to attend. The rivers and harbors bill last year provided for a resurvey of the Big Sandy project, the engineers having reported that in the process of the work difficulties had been encountered which were not anticipated when the project was first undertaken many years ago. If a favorable report is secured the Rivers and Harbors Committee will be asked to make provisions for the completion of the dams in this year's bill.

WILL BUILD NEW LINE.

It is officially stated that the C. & O. will build a line of railroad up Beaver Creek in Floyd county, at once, to tap the rich coal field that lines the banks of that stream for many miles. It is also stated upon good authority that a new railway corporation known as the Sandy Valley Railway Co., will also build up Jennie's Creek in Johnson county.

SUPERVISORS OF TAX.

The board appointed to supervise the tax books of the city of Louisa for 1913 is now at work. The board consists of Cullen Bryant Bromley, Atwell Wellman and Jedediah Davis.

HELP THE RED CROSS.

Red Cross Christmas Seals are the best investment in health anyone can make. Science has demonstrated conclusively that tuberculosis, the world's greatest plague, of which we have over 1,000,000 cases in the United States alone can be prevented. If these consumptives are properly cared for. In other words, every consumptive properly cared for insures your life against tuberculosis by the prevention of further infection from that source. Red Cross Seals help to provide hospital, day camps, sanatoria, dispensaries, open-air schools and visiting nurses for the care, cure and prevention of tuberculosis in this community. Every seal you buy, then, is a sound investment in your own health and in that of your family. Buy your Red Cross Seals now and help to protect your home from disease.

More Than Twenty-Five Thousand.

All the reports from County Clerks as to the number of hunter's licenses up to December 1 have not been received by the Auditor yet, but it is estimated that the number will be slightly in excess of 25,000 for the whole State. This means that the County Clerks will get \$3,750 in commissions for issuing the licenses and the sum of \$21,250 will be placed to the credit of the Game and Fish Commission in the State Treasury.

LOUISA HOSPITALITY.

The Rev. and Mrs. Olus Hamilton received a taste of Louisa hospitality on Saturday evening last when a host of the members of the Baptist church, and some other friends, paid them a call, each bringing as a donation one or more things which are good to eat. For the time being the house looked like a first-class provision store. For many days to come Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton will not have to make many calls on the grocer. The recipients were surprised and delighted and are duly appreciative.

GOOD ADDITIONS.

Mr. Raisch Blankenship, who has been living at Boone's Camp, Johnson county, for some time, has moved to Louisa and will occupy the Roffe property on the corner of Lady Washington and Perry streets. Mr. Blankenship will retain his business at Boone's Camp.

FIRE ON GRIFFITH'S CREEK.

A fire occurred on Griffith's creek near the old Peach Orchard tunnel, on Tuesday night which entirely destroyed the residence of Neal Thompson, house and contents being a total loss. Mr. Thompson is a poor man, with a wife and several children, and the destruction of his property falls heavily upon him.

MY LADY OF THE NORTH.

The demands of our advertisers are so heavy this week that we are compelled to omit the regular installment of our interesting serial story. Our readers will find the advertising very profitable reading just at this time. We shall resume the story as soon as the rush is over.

FINED FOR SHIPPING QUAIL.

Huntington, W. Va., December 9.—More than 100,000 quail were smuggled from Kentucky during the past hunting season in violation of the interstate traffic law. This was the statement here to-night of Quincy Ward, United States Game Investigation Agent.

Ward declared that from one county alone 12,000 quail had been sent out by illicit means. Many of the birds thus smuggled though were sent to Pittsburg.

Judge Cochran presided over the first day's session of the Federal Court at Catlettsburg to-day, when two game law violators were fined. They were Irwin & Bell, of Alburt, Lewis County, Kentucky, and W. E. McGuire, of Glenwood, Lawrence County. Both pleaded guilty and were fined \$100 each.

INTO NEW QUARTERS.

Rev. Olus Hamilton, pastor of the Louisa Baptist church, and Mrs. Hamilton are now occupying furnished rooms in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burchett.

FIVE MEN KILLED.

Boiler Explosion at Wilsondale, Wayne County, W. Va.

Five men were killed on Thursday last by a boiler explosion which occurred at a saw mill owned by Wayne Thompson, on Spruce creek, not far from Wilsondale, on the 12 Pole division of the N. & W. The disaster happened on Thursday last, and the probability is that the cause of the explosion will never be known, as every man near the mill when it took place was killed, four outright and one dying of his injuries shortly afterward. Others were at work in the woods nearby. The dead are: Wash Finley, Jacob Maynard, Phelps, Lon Burchett and Wayne Thompson.

It is believed that the men killed had come in to the mill to dry their clothing as the day had been wet and rainy.

Mr. Finley was the father of Mrs. Albert Dameron, of Williamson, and was quite well known in Mingo and Wayne counties.

Mr. Burchett was a brother of M. C. Burchett, of near Breeden and his body was taken there Friday.

Mr. Thompson was an uncle of Deputy Circuit Clerk A. W. Dameron, of Williamson and has been in the lumber business for a number of years.

It is stated that Burchett's body was found in a well near the mill. His neck had been broken.

All the dead men were well known in this section, some of them having relatives on Mill Creek, not far from Ft. Gay.

The widow of Mr. Finley was a Kirk, a daughter of Capt. Jim Kirk, of Inez, and a relative of Ed. Kirk, of this city. Similar disasters attend similar outfits all over the country. Too often boilers are used which had been once condemned, and too often the engines are run by men whose mechanical skill is limited to a knowledge of how to start and stop the machine.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

A board of tax supervisors was appointed at the November term of the county court for the year 1913. It consists of Rice McClure, Louisa Sink Pugett, Gallup, F. E. Holbrook, Martha, John H. Houck, Cherokee, and John E. Queen, East Fork. They will begin their thankless job on the first Monday in January.

DELEGATE TO CONFERENCE.

Pikeville, Ky., Dec. 11.—At the last annual conference of the M. E. Church South, which convened at Sutton, W. Va., Rev. I. N. Fannin, pastor at this place, nominated Dr. Z. A. Thompson as one of the many delegates to the General Missionary Conference to be held in Waynesville, N. C., in June, 1913. Dr. Thompson's father, the Rev. J. W. Thompson, deceased, of Spring City, Tenn., of the Holston Conference, was stationed at Waynesville in 1847, that being his first appointment. Owing to this fact, Dr. Thompson looks forward to the conference event with much pleasure, since it will give him an opportunity to visit and to meet some few of his father's old acquaintances and friends the historic old city of Waynesville, of the long ago. The doctor has in his library a book containing several of his father's sermons delivered during his pastorate there sixty-five years ago.

PIKEVILLE TO PAVE STREETS.

Pikeville, Ky., Dec. 10.—Paved streets have been ordered for Pikeville, Monday evening, as formerly announced, the City Council met for the purpose of receiving bids and awarding the contract. This fell to Kelley Bros., of Portsmouth, O., and calls for a little more than 27,400 yards of pavement to be constructed of vitrified brick placed upon a concrete foundation which will be six inches thick; the whole costing \$83,000, with a credit of ten years for payment.

Engraving nicely done at Conley's store on jewelry, watches and silverware. Buy early to insure getting the work out in time.

FUNERAL OF W. D. ROFFE.

The funeral of Mr. W. D. Roffe, whose death at his residence in this city on Wednesday last was chronicled in this paper, occurred on the following Friday afternoon and was largely attended. It was held at the M. E. Church South, of which the deceased had been a consistent member for many years, and the services were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. J. W. Crites. They were simple and appropriate. The minister met the body at the door and preceded it to the chancel reciting the hopeful words "I am the Resurrection and the Life," a hymn a prayer and a scriptural selection, followed by a comforting discourse concerning a belief in the Father and in the Son. Following the sermon the body was taken to Pine Hill cemetery and buried away from the cares, sorrows and turmoil of earth, to await the Day when he shall appear in the presence of Him whose mercy hath the wide-ness of the sea and endureth forever. The floral tributes from friends and relatives were numerous and beautiful. Several Confederate veterans attended the obsequies of their old comrade.

A severe illness prevented the widow of the deceased from being present at the last rites. The children and others who live out of town but who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Crutcher, of Holden, W. Va., Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Scholze, of New Cumberland, W. Va., Mrs. Hester Huffman, of Pikeville, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bickel and Mrs. Ida Shively, of Huntington.

BEST OIL WELL YET.

The Venora Oil company drilled in its seventh well a few days ago on the lease from the Busseyville company, and it is estimated to be the best in the field. It is located a few hundred feet south of the Burnt House well. A shot was put into the well yesterday. Within a few days the operators should be able to estimate about what it will do. This will encourage development considerably.

The Hamilton-Roberts and the Norwood wells are expected to "come in" right away.

MYSTERIOUS TRAGEDY.

Man and Woman Found Dead in Catlettsburg Hotel.

On the night of Monday, December the 2nd, a man named Prezell, or York, a barber of Huntington, and two women variously named Adkins, Gullett, Turner and Kelley, went to the Alger House, Catlettsburg and asked for a room. He claimed that one of the women was his wife and the other was her sister. They were all given the same room, to which they went at once. On Thursday morning the landlord became suspicious about them and went to the room to make an investigation. He knocked on the door, and receiving no answer he broke the door open and entered. He was horrified to find one woman, Adkins, or Turner, lying on the floor dead. The man and the other woman were on the bed, both in a stupor. The man never regained consciousness, dying a day or two later.

The Kelley woman recovered and is now in jail awaiting developments. Chemists have the stomach of the dead woman and will analyze its contents. The whole affair remains shrouded in mystery.

Notice to Boys in Corn Club. I would like to have a written report from every boy who cultivated an acre of corn this year and enroll in the Boy's Corn Club. Please state the number of bushels raised if corn has been measured, if not give the number of shocks produced on the acre and the estimated average yield per shock, together with a brief account of how the ground was prepared for planting, kind of soil, how cultivated and kind and amount of fertilizers used. Mail your reports to me at once.

JAY O'DANIEL.

Christmas cards at Conley's store.

EPHRAIM AND HIS IDOLS.

"Only a small number of farmers attended" is the way the Harrodsburg Fourth District Leader speaks of the farmer's institute in Breckenridge county. So it was in Daviess, and so it seems to be in nearly every county in which an institute is held.

There does seem that there is but little use to employ much time and money in trying to get even those who should be greatly interested in them to attend schools where valuable information is imported to farmers. Most of the farmers seem joined to the idols of their ancestors. Let them go, and give attention to the boys. The boys' corn clubs are doing a great deal of good along the lines of farming and the associated industries. In one county alone, Meade, the corn production this year has increased ten per cent. over the previous year. What has been done in Meade can be done in Lawrence. An increase of five per cent. in this county would mean many thousands of dollars to the raisers. And the good results to the boys of the clubs is by no means a quantity to be neglected. The boys get new and useful ideas, they have something to stimulate them; something to look forward to, a laudable ambition to be gratified. The industrious, intelligent, honest boy, with a noble aim in life, is the hope of the land. Let us do all we can to encourage and develop him.

CAUGHT IN A RAID.

Ironton, O., Dec. 9.—The fact that Mayor Moore, of Ashland, Ky., often assumes the role of an officer, was unfortunate for Patrolman Sam Smedley, of that city, and possibly two other members of the police force. Late last night Mayor Moore and several officers raided a disorderly house. A patrolman, it is said, was caught in the raid. It is said two other officers escaped, and that a shake-up in the Police Department will follow.

EASILY FOUND.

If a stranger in Louisa had asked on Tuesday last where he would find the big store of Jake Israelky the answer might have been: "Follow the crowd." For surely there was a big crowd in town on that day, and it tended toward Jake's. He had a big special sale, and if all bought who attended the Israelky bank account was greatly enlarged thereby. And the end is not yet.

SIDING AT BURNAUGH.

Civil Engineer Gleason, of the C. & O., went with his outfit of men, to Burnaugh, near Louisa, to-day, where he will be engaged until Saturday in locating a new siding at that place, which will ultimately become a part of the trunk line up the Sandy Valley for which the C. & O. is now making preparations.—Pikeville item.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Miss Kathleen Lackey fell upon the front porch of her home late on Monday afternoon and broke her right arm a short distance above the elbow. She was going in from the street when the accident occurred and fell when she had reached the last one of the steps leading from the yard to the porch. The fracture is a comminuted one. Dr. J. C. Bussey gave surgical aid.

DIPHTHERIA PREVALENT.

Diphtheria is prevalent all over the State and many schools have been closed in order to limit its spread. The use of antitoxin has robbed the malady of much of its terror, but it remains something to be greatly dreaded. Medicine has few specifics, but for diphtheria antitoxin is one when used in time and in large doses.

THE OFFICE TOWEL.

The common towel was ordered abolished from railroad cars, vessels, and all other interstate vehicles, and from stations, by Secretary McVeigh, of the Treasury department, in an amendment to the Interstate Quarantine regulation. This action follows closely the abolition of the common drinking cup.

The old office towel, the time-honored towel, the never-washed towel still stands in the corner.